STATE OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMPLETENESS & AVAILABILITY OF A STREAMLINED MERCURY VARIANCE (SMV) APPLICATION

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2012 – 10H - SMV NOTICE DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2012 RESPONSE DATE DUE: NOVEMBER 26, 2012

Applicant: SYRACUSE (town) **WWTP**, Permit No. IN0021172, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, #1 Conrad Street, Syracuse, Indiana.

- **I. Type of Application: Streamlined Mercury Variance (SMV):** On September 27, 2012, the Town of Syracuse submitted an SMV application which includes a Pollutant Minimization Program Plan (PMPP), addressing the identification and minimization of mercury discharges to the environment in accordance with Rule 327 IAC 5-3.5-9. IDEM has determined the SMV application complies with the requirements of Rule 327 IAC 5-3.5 and proposes incorporate the SMV by modifying Permit No. IN0021172 in accordance with Rule 327 IAC 5-3.5-6. The Permit will be issued to include the requirements of the applicant's PMPP and an interim discharge limit for mercury calculated based on the procedures of 327 IAC 5-3.5-8. The SMV will remain in effect until the NPDES permit expires under IC 13-14-8-9. The proposed decision to issue a permit is tentative. A Public Notice informing the public and allowing comments will be published in the Times Union.
- **II. Facility Operations:** Syracuse (town) WWTP is a Class II, 1.05 MGD oxidation ditch treatment facility discharging to Turkey Creek (located within the Lake Michigan drainage basin) with a $Q_{7,10}$ low flow value of 1.8 cfs.
- **III. Contact Person:** Bill Stenner at 317/233-1449 or bstenner@idem.IN.gov. Deliver or mail all requests or comments to him at: Office of Water Quality/NPDES Permits Branch, 100 N Senate Av, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251 Mail Code 65-42.
- **IV. Comments/Public Hearing:** Anyone interested is invited to submit **written** comments regarding the final determination to issue the SMV, or on the draft NPDES permit. **Public Hearing:** written request must include the name & contact information (address, phone, E-mail) of the person making the request, the interest of the person making the request, persons represented by the person making the request, the reason for the request, and the issues proposed for consideration at the Hearing. If the Department determines a need for a Public Hearing based on the comments and requests received, notice will be published 30 days prior, in the newspaper of the geographical area of the discharge. All comments & requests **must be postmarked no later than the above-noted response due date.** Notice will be sent to all persons submitting comments or requesting notification. Notice of Final Permit action will not be made to persons who fail to request such notice. All related documents are on file & may be inspected at IDEM, Office of Water Quality/NPDES Permit Section, 12th floor/Rm 1203, 100 N. Senate Ave, Indpls., IN from 9 4, M F, (copies 10¢ per page).